Zion Lutheran Church Glen Rock, PA

WOV Setting Five – Bread of Life Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, September 21, 2025

*We stand as we are able.

Introduction to the day

As we are invited today to consider what it means to be managers (rather than owners) of all that we have, it is crucial to recognize that we are bought with a price. "Christ Jesus, himself human, . . . gave himself a ransom for all." Apart from the generosity of God we have nothing—we are nothing. By God's gracious favor we have everything we need.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS (WOV p.10) In the name of the Father, and of the ± Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the aid of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that, attentive to your Word, we may confess our sins, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Gracious God,

have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.

Amen.

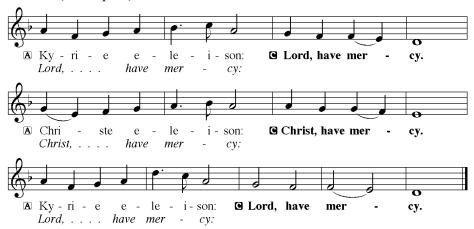
*ENTRANCE HYMN: "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" LBW (green) 499

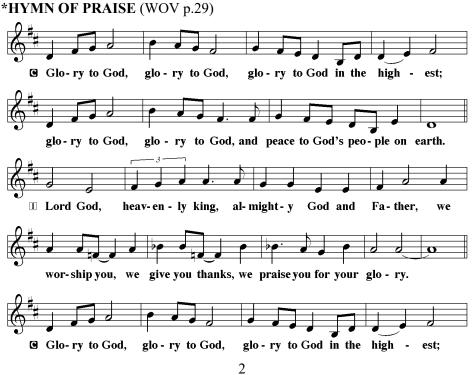
*APOSTOLIC GREETING (WOV p.28)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

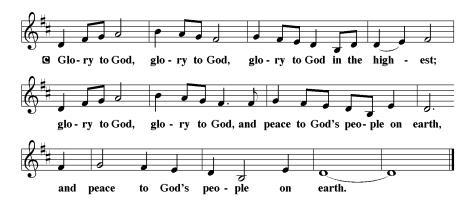
And also with you.

*KYRIE (WOV p.28)









*PRAYER OF THE DAY (WOV p.30)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Lord God, you call us to work in your vineyard and leave no one standing idle. Set us to our tasks in the work of your kingdom, and help us to order our lives by your wisdom; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

ANTHEM: "Come Follow Me"

FIRST LESSON: Amos 8:4-7

⁴ Hear this, you who trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land,

⁵ saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain,

and the Sabbath,

so that we may offer wheat for sale?

We will make the ephah smaller and the shekel heavier and practice deceit with false balances,

⁶ buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals and selling the sweepings of the wheat."

⁷ The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:

Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 113

- ¹ Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants | of the LORD; praise the name | of the LORD.
- ² Let the name of the | LORD be blessed, from this time forth for- | evermore.
- ³ From the rising of the sun to its | going down let the name of the | LORD be praised.
- ⁴ The LORD is high a- | bove all nations, and his glory a- | bove the heavens.
- ⁵ Who is like the LORD our God, who sits en- | throned on high, but stoops to behold the heavens | and the earth?
- ⁶ He takes up the weak out | of the dust and lifts up the poor | from the ashes.
- ⁷ He sets them | with the princes, with the princes | of his people.
- ⁸ He makes the woman of a | childless house to be a joyful moth-| er of children.

SECOND LESSON: 1 Timothy 2:1-7

¹ First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, ² for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. ³ This is right and acceptable before God our Savior, ⁴ who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵ For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

⁶ who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth; I am not lying), a teacher of the gentiles in faith and truth.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (WOV p.31)



*GOSPEL: Luke 16:1-13

The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 16th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ Then Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ² So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management because you cannot be my manager any longer.' ³ Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴ I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' ⁶ He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' 7 Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' 8 And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly, for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹ And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ "Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much, and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹ If, then, you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹² And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you

what is your own? ¹³ No slave can serve two masters, for a slave will either hate the one and love the other or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

*HYMN OF THE DAY: "Faith of Our Fathers"

LBW (green) 500

*APOSTLES' CREED (WOV p.32)

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

*THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH (WOV p.34)

Gracious God, we come to you in prayer for the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

O God, teach your church to act in solidarity with the poor, frustrating the efforts of those who trample on the needy and practicing justice in our own life and community. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Almighty Creator, we pray for an end to the misuse of the earth and its resources, that all people may benefit from your abundant gifts and that our stewardship of creation would be marked by justice and sustainability. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Holy One, embolden elected leaders to pursue policies of economic justice for the benefit of all, especially those who are most vulnerable and marginalized. Persuade them by your example of generosity and compassion. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Compassionate God, we pray for all facing illness, those near death, or those grieving the loss of loved ones (*especially*). May they find comfort and strength in your love. Prepare us to surround them with your healing care. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

God of love, motivate our congregation to enact economic justice through tangible action, prioritizing the needs of our community and sharing resources generously through our outreach and justice ministries. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

Gracious God, we give thanks for the saints who now join the heavenly chorus in praising your name. Lift us up from the dust of grief and remind us of your promise of new life. God of grace,

receive our prayer.

We entrust these prayers to you, O God, in the name of Jesus Christ, our redeemer and friend.

Amen.

***PEACE** (WOV p. 34)

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

*PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

*OFFERTORY RESPONSE (WOV p.35)



*OFFERTORY PRAYER (WOV p.35)

Let us pray.

Merciful Father.

we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

*GREAT THANKSGIVING (WOV p.36)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

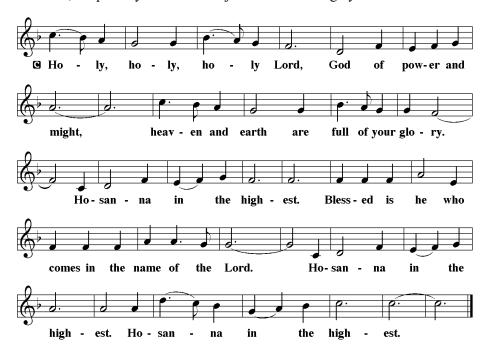
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

*PREFACE (WOV p.36)

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



*THANKSGIVING (WOV p.37)

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory. Pour out your Holy Spirit, that by this Holy Communion we may know the unity we share with all your people in the body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen.**

*LORD'S PRAYER (WOV p.39)

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

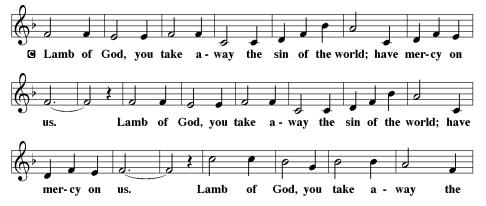
as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*COMMUNION HYMN (WOV p.39)





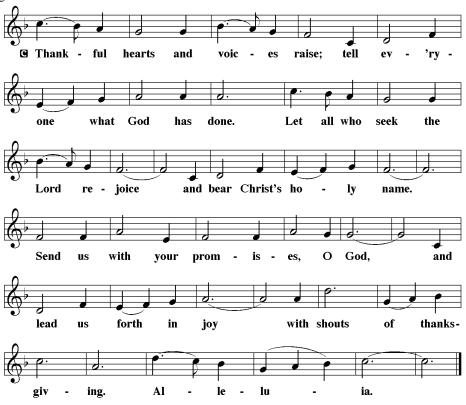
COMMUNION (WOV p.39)

The body of Christ, given for you. Amen.

The blood of Christ, shed for you. Amen.

*POST-COMMUNION BLESSING AND CANTICLE (WOV p.40)

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**



*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (WOV p.41)

Let us pray.

Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

Amen.

*BLESSING (WOV p.41)

Almighty God, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless us now and forever.

Amen

*SENDING HYMN: "On What Has Now Been Sown" LBW (green) 261

DISMISSAL (WOV p.41)

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Today's communion elements are presented to the Glory of God, by Shriley Seitz.

Today's altar flowers are presented in honor of Shirley Seitz's 90th birthday today, by her family.

Today's high altar flowers are presented in honor of Joan and Gail's September birthdays, by Shirley Seitz.

SCRIPTURE TEXT FOR SUNDAY 9/28/2025

Amos 6:1a, 4-7, Ps 146, 1 Tim 6:6-19, Luke 19-31

PRAYER REQUESTS

Joann King, Trey Tomaschko, Lou Tomaschko, Tessa Henise, Ruth Shearer, Beth Hennessey, Suzanne Becker, Chad Smith, Brian Phelps, Geraldine Ambrosius, Glenn and Linda Engler, Tim Myers, Bonni Whitman, Jon Stiffler, Shirley Seitz, Sandy Fair, Diane Moul, LeMos Stallard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome to Zion! We are glad you are here today. After worship, you are invited to a time of fellowship with coffee and snacks in the social hall directly beside the sanctuary.

Communion is offered every Sunday. Wine and apple juice are both available. All are welcome.

Today we welcome Rev. Martin Zimmann to lead us in worship.

Harvest Home Sunday will be Sunday, October 19th. We will be collecting non-perishable food items for the local food pantry. Donated items can be placed under the altar. Orders for mums for Harvest Home Sunday are due by Sunday, 10/5.

The Loose Change offering plate is available every Sunday. At the end of the month, the total collected for that month will be sent to the chosen organization. Our loose change collection for September will benefit the Southern York County School District Welfare Fund. This fund helps pay off overdrawn lunch accounts within the school district.

Services are recorded and streamed live each week on Zion Lutheran Church's Facebook page. It is possible during the recording that people attending the service will be filmed. If you have any concerns about being filmed, please contact the office at 717-235-3276.

Announcements for the weekly bulletin are due to the office by early Tuesday morning so bulletin work can be completed by the end of the day on Tuesday. This schedule allows time for the bulletin to be sent to the presiding pastor for the upcoming week and allows the website committee time to post the bulletin on Zion's website. Announcements can be emailed to Brenda at office@zionglenrock.org.

PERSONNEL here at **ZION**

Brenda Davis, Administrative Assistant
Kelley Fisher, Treasurer
Chad Fisher, Sexton
Chad Fisher, Council President......ckoash6@gmail.com or 717-891-5327

Darryl Engler, Organist

Chad Fisher, Council President......ckoash6@gmail.com or 717-891-5327 Rick Freda, Council Vice President.....rickfreda@yahoo.com or 302-864-5700

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Tom Bailey, Jeff Brown, Chad Fisher, Rick Freda, Pam Hoffman, Gail Prego, Donna Price, and Jen Webb

SUNDAY SERVANTS

Assisting Ministers:

September 21: Diane Bortner

September 28: Donna Price

October 5: George Brown

October 12: Jeff Hoffman

October 19: Butch Hengst

October 26: Diane Bortner

Lectors:

September 21: Jen Webb

September 28: Chad Fisher

October 5: Chad Fisher

October 12: Nola Webb

October 19: Kayla Rogers

October 26: Susie Hengst

Council Offering Duty:

September – Chad Fisher and Tom Bailey

October - Jen Webb and Pam Hoffman

Altar Care:

September – Diane Bortner

October - Pam Spangler



Zion Lutheran Church

47 Hanover Street Glen Rock, PA 17327 Office Phone: 717-235-3276

Website: www.zionglenrock.org Email: office@zionglenrock.org



Copyright © 2025 Augsburg Fortress. All rights reserved. Reprinted by permission under Augsburg Fortress Liturgies Annual License #SB131854. New Revised Standard Version Bible, copyright © 1989, Division of Christian Education of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.